



#18
EX(2) y original # AF
PATENT (NE) \$1600

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

PT/SCHALLER

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

RECEIVED
DEC 06 2002

In re Application of:	<u>Response after Final</u>
HEINZ SCHALLER et al.) Examiner:
) Quang Nguyen, PhD
Appl. No.: 09/383,978) Group Art Unit: 1632
Filed: August 26, 1998)
For: METHODS AND COMPOSITION FOR)
EXPRESSING HETEROLOGOUS GENES)
IN HEPATOCYTES USING HEPADNAVIRAL)
VECTORS)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Box AF
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on **NOVEMBER 29, 2002**
(Date)

URSULA B. DAY
(Name of Registered Representative)

S I R:

Signature

Date of Signature

In response to the Official Action of

July 28, 2002, having a shortened period for response expiring September 28, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby petitioned to extend the period for response to the above-referenced Official Action by TWO months until November 29, 2002.

12/05/2002 AMOHDAF1 00000007 09383978

01 FC:2252

200.00 DP